Section 703 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) directs the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to conduct a demonstration project that will test an alternative approach to the delivery of Medicare home health services. Under the demonstration, Medicare beneficiaries receiving home health may be eligible to receive medical adult day care services as a substitute for a portion of home health services that would otherwise be provided in the beneficiary's home.

The demonstration will run for a period of 3 years and will be conducted through no more than 5 home health agency sites in States selected by CMS. Up to 15,000 beneficiaries may participate in the demonstration at any one time.

Proposals from potential applicants are solicited through a notice published in the Federal Register June 24, 2005. Proposals must be received at or before 5 pm on September 22, 2005. The Federal Register notice is provided below along with specific application proposal instructions contained in the Solicitation and Medicare Waiver Demonstration Application documents.

Update: Application proposals are being reviewed.

(See downloads area below for more information: Legislative Language, Press Release, Federal Register Notice, Solicitation, Medicare Waiver Demonstration Application, Home Health Information Resource for Medicare, Contact Information)